



OPERATIONS MEMO

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SUBJECT: 2008- 2009 Entitlement Cal Grant Update

The purpose of this Operations Memo is to update you on the status of the 2008-2009 Cal Grant Entitlement awards. The Commission is pleased to announce that we have started awarding 2008-2009 Cal Grant Entitlements. Awarded applicants will appear on rosters in a non-payable status. Only school change roster transactions will be accepted at this time.

Applicants will begin receiving various Commission letters reflecting their award status, either awarded or not awarded. Awarded students will also receive an "Important Facts About Your Cal Grant Award" sheet while non-awarded applicants will receive a 2008-2009 Cal Grant Application Correction Form or Disqualification Fact Sheet. Copies of the letters and inserts are enclosed for your convenience.

High School Graduation Confirmation Process

Beginning with the 2008-2009 award year, newly awarded Entitlement Cal Grant participants will require confirmation of high school graduation prior to the release of any Cal Grant payments. The Commission is currently working on the Entitlement Cal Grant high school graduation confirmation project and anticipates implementation for the 2008 – 2009 year. However, it is uncertain what the outcome of the project will be due to budget constraints and the pending sale of EdFund. Staff will make every effort to complete the project as planned and will communicate any changes with our stakeholders.



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If you have any questions regarding any of the information contained in this memorandum, please contact the Commission's School Support Services Branch at (888) 294-0153 or schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov.

Enclosures: California Aid Report (CAR)
New Recipient Change Form
Important Facts About Your Cal Grant Award
Application on Hold Notification
2008-2009 Cal Grant Application Correction Form
Cal Grant Disqualification Notification
Disqualification Fact Sheet

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